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TRANSMISSION ON FIBER OPTIC CHANNEL

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

Prior to the first Office action in the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

comprising

Please add claims 26 through 39.

An apparatus for transmitting data on a fiber channel, the apparatus

an input that receives a digital signal to be transmitted;

a plurality of programmable modulators each configuréd to accept a portion of the digital signal to be transmitted, and to modulate the portion of the digital signal accepted;

a plurality of mixers, each mixer coupled to the output of one of the programmable modulators to accept a modulated signal and mix it with a mixer frequency;

> a plurality of bandpass filters, that filter the output of the mixers; and a summation unit that combines the output of the mixers into a single signal.

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